

Appendix B

Public Comments and Responses

Introduction

In September 2001, EFSEC invited public comment on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (Draft SEIS) for the proposed Sumas Energy 2 Generation Facility. In addition, comments were received at a public hearing conducted on October 16, 2001 in Everson, Washington.

Appendix B presents the following:

- Written comments on the Draft SEIS received by the October 19, 2001 deadline
- Responses to written comments
- A transcript of the public hearing conducted on October 16, 2001
- Responses to public hearing comments

A total of 35 comment letters were submitted to EFSEC. The comment letters are categorized and numbered based upon the affiliation of the individual submitting the letter. Table B-1 presents a list of those who submitted comment letters by category.

Comments specific to the Draft SEIS are marked in the right margin of each comment letter. Immediately following each letter is a written response, with responses corresponding to the specific comments marked in the letter. Two letters (CF1 and CR5) had lengthy attachments that did not directly address the SEIS. The attachments are not reproduced here, but are available for review through EFSEC.

The public hearing transcript is presented following the comment letters and responses. Note that the printed public hearing transcript is reduced such that four pages of transcript are shown on each printed page in this appendix. In the left margin of the transcript, comments specific to the Draft SEIS are marked with a vertical line. Following the public hearing transcript, a document responding to each of the public hearing comments (that are marked in the margin of the transcript) is presented.

In the letters as well as public hearing testimony, many comments were made that did not specifically address the adequacy of the Draft SEIS. Although such comments are not necessarily formally identified and provided with a written response in Appendix B, all comments were reviewed by EFSEC and its consultant (Jones & Stokes) and are acknowledged.

Table B-1. Classification of Letters Received Concerning the Draft SEIS, by Affiliation

United States	Canada
USF—Federal	CF—Federal
None	CF1 Kirk Johnstone, Environment Canada
USS—State	CP—Provincial
USS1 Jeannie Summerhays, Washington State Department of Ecology	CP1 Margaret Eckenfelder, British Columbia Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection
USL—Local government	CL—Local government
None	CL1 Patricia Ross, City of Abbotsford
USO—Nongovernmental organization	CO—Nongovernmental organization
USO1 Danielle Dixon, NW Energy Coalition	CO1 Lee Larkin, Chilliwack Field Naturalists
USO2 Brian Carpenter, REBOUND	CO2 Mary Reeves, Abbotsford Downtown Business Association
USO3 Charles E. Martin, Sumas Energy 2, Inc.	CO3 Garry Dickinson, Huntingdon Duty Free Shop Inc.
USO4 Brad Owens, Northwest Building and Construction Trades Council	
USR—Resident	CR—Resident
USR1 Kirk Deal	CR1 Les and Joan Hay
USR2 Marian G. Beddill	CR2 Andrea Mikulan
USR3 Marlene Noteboom	CR3 E. Herbert Warkentin
USR4 Candice Ambrosio and Dean Rogers	CR4 Heather Taylor
USR5 Lynn Peterson and Hugh Lewis	CR5 James Degen
USR6 Connie Hoag	CR6 James Degen
USR7 Joni Hensley	CR7 Rose Morrison
USR8 Mike Bozzo	CR8 Laurie Hoekstra
USR9 Paige and Ladd Shumway	
USR10 Margaret Curtis	
USR11 Richard H. Severson	
USR12 Bo Bumford	
USR13 Darryl Ehlers	
USR14 Andy Ross	
USR15 Rolf B.G. Nilsen	
USR16 Mike Kaufman	